

Charter Amendment No. 5

This is the fifth of nine proposed College Station City Charter amendments on the Nov. 6 ballot.

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What you will see on the ballot:

PROPOSITION NO. 5

FOR/AGAINST

Shall a provision be added to Article XII (General Provisions) of the College Station City Charter to define business day and calendar day and the charter amended throughout to specify when business day applies and when calendar day applies?

What does it mean?

If you vote **AGAINST** this proposition, you are voting to keep this section of the charter as it is; if you vote **FOR** this proposition, you are voting to add this provision to the city charter:

ARTICLE XII GENERAL PROVISIONS

Calendar Day and Business Day

"Business day" as used in this Charter means Monday through Friday, except for federal or State of Texas holidays. "Calendar day" as used in this Charter means a 24-hour period (midnight to midnight) as denoted on the calendar. Any reference in the Charter to "day" without specifying calendar day or business day shall mean calendar day unless otherwise expressly provided in this charter.

This provision would affect these sections of the charter:

- Article V (The Budget): Section 59. Estimated Expenditures Shall Not Exceed Estimated Resources
- Article X (Initiative, Referendum and Recall): Section 84. Power of Referendum
- Article X (Initiative, Referendum and Recall): Section 86. Filing; Examination and Certification of Petitions
- Article X (Initiative, Referendum and Recall): Section 87. Amendment of Petitions
- Article X (Initiative, Referendum and Recall): Section 89. Consideration by City Council
- Article X (Initiative, Referendum and Recall): Section 96. Recall Petitions

Why is this charter amendment on the ballot?

After reviewing the city charter for more than a year, the 10-member Citizens Charter Review Advisory Commission in May recommended that eight charter amendments be placed on the ballot in a November special election. The commission's stated mission was to "review the city charter and make charter amendment recommendations, where appropriate, that will help protect the rights, powers and benefits of all College Station residents." Most of the recommendations were made to bring the charter in line with state law. The city council later added a ninth amendment about conflict of interest for council members.

Citizens Charter Review Advisory Commission (CRAC)

Minutes of CRAC meetings

CRAC Final Report